

**Maryland Historical Trust****Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form**Survey No. <sup>B-</sup>4678**1. Name**

Historic 1700-1768 Llewelyn Street  
and / common

**2. Location**

street & number 1700-1768 Llewelyn Street  
city, town Baltimore  
state & zip code Maryland 21205 county

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	X occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
X building(s)	X private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	X yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			X private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

name  
street & number telephone  
city, town state & zip code

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore City Land Records liber  
street & number Clarence Mitchell Courthouse folio  
city, town Baltimore State Maryland

**6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title  
date federal state county local  
depository for survey records  
city, town state & zip code

## 7. Description

### Condition

☐ excellent  
☐ good  
☒ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check One

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check One

☒ original site  
☐ moved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 date of move: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This row of thirty-three two-story, two-bay wide houses late Italianate-style brick houses with shed roofs and sheet metal and stepped brick cornices were built between 1894 and 1898 by William J. Clendenin, a major builder of working class houses in East Baltimore. All of the houses retain their original brick facades, which were originally painted and striped. After the use of wood was outlawed for cornices in 1892, sheet metal and stepped-back bricks became the predominant materials used. This decorative brickwork, represents a vernacular translation of high-style Queen Anne designs first seen in Baltimore rowhouses c. 1880.

The houses are two stories in height, a mix of 11'5" and 12' wide (with 13' and 15'-wide end houses in the group west of Regester St. designed to serve as combination storefront/residences) and occupy lots 70' deep. Each house is three small rooms deep and there is no back building. The houses are constructed in running bond and have been painted. Each house has a single hooded chimney located near the front and rear of the house. The shed roof is capped by a continuous sheet metal cornice (for every three units) set above a frieze created by five rows of progressively recessed stretchers framed by six rows of slightly projecting, yet progressively recessed headers.

The door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels, with plain tympanums. The sills are wood. Both the doorways and the first floor windows have single light transoms and all windows have 1/1 sash. One original door may survive—at 1525 Spring—which has two long vertical panels and a combination of small square and rectangular panels both above and below. The houses sit on fairly low basements lit by a single-light sash, set beneath a double-header segmental arch. Each front door (is reached by three or four wooden (probably original) or concrete steps.

## 3. Significance

Period	Area of significance	check one & justify			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other: specify	

**Specific dates** 1894-98

**Builder/Architect** William J. Clendenin

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This group of houses is significant in that it represents the level of architectural stylishness achieved by many builders of small street houses in the late nineteenth century. The houses were built by William J. Clendenin, a prolific Baltimore builder, according to a pattern that was quite common to the city's working class neighborhoods of the period c. 1880 to 1910. Recognizing that workers held different levels of jobs (and pay), builders created a hierarchy of house sizes (and prices) in the new neighborhoods going up to serve the expanding factory districts ringing the harbor and north-east of the central city. Builders acquired anywhere from an eighth to a half of a city block and built 14' to 15'-wide two-story houses on the main streets, and smaller, 11' to 13'-wide two-story houses on the narrower streets bisecting the blocks.

In this particular case Clendenin built all of the houses in this entire block, including those on the east side of Broadway and the south side of Oliver St.

Clendenin sold only a few of the Llewelyn St. houses, retaining the rest for their rental income until 1906 when he sold all remaining to Samuel Sigael, a partner in a group of Jewish investors in low-cost rental housing, which included Samuel Friedel, and Simon Trepolsky. The houses remained rental properties at least until the 1920s.

## 9. Major Bibliographic References

Mary Ellen Hayward and Charles Belfoure, *The Baltimore Rowhouse*  
(New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 1999)

## 10. Geographic Data

Acreage of nominated property

Quadrangle name

Verbal boundary description and justification

## 11. Form Prepared by

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Organization The Alley House Project

date June 2006

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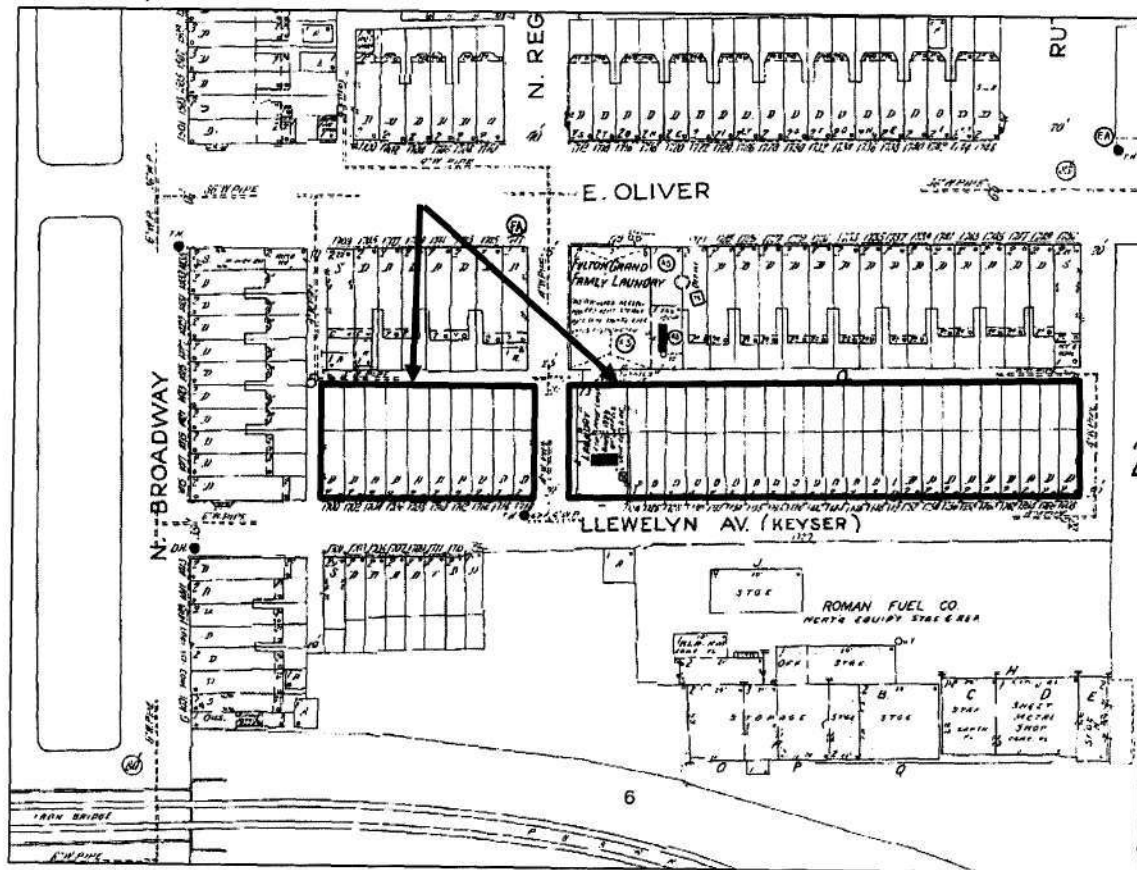
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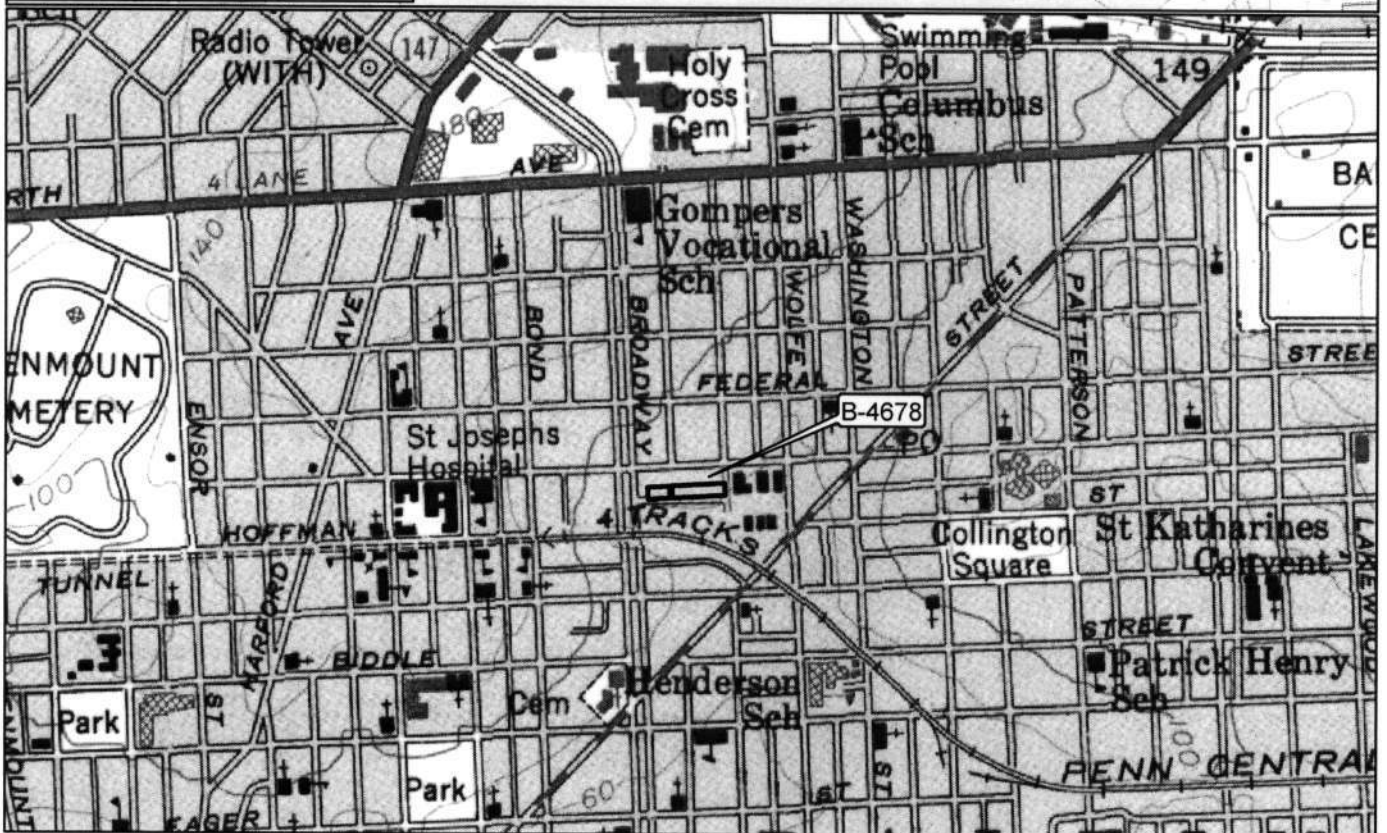
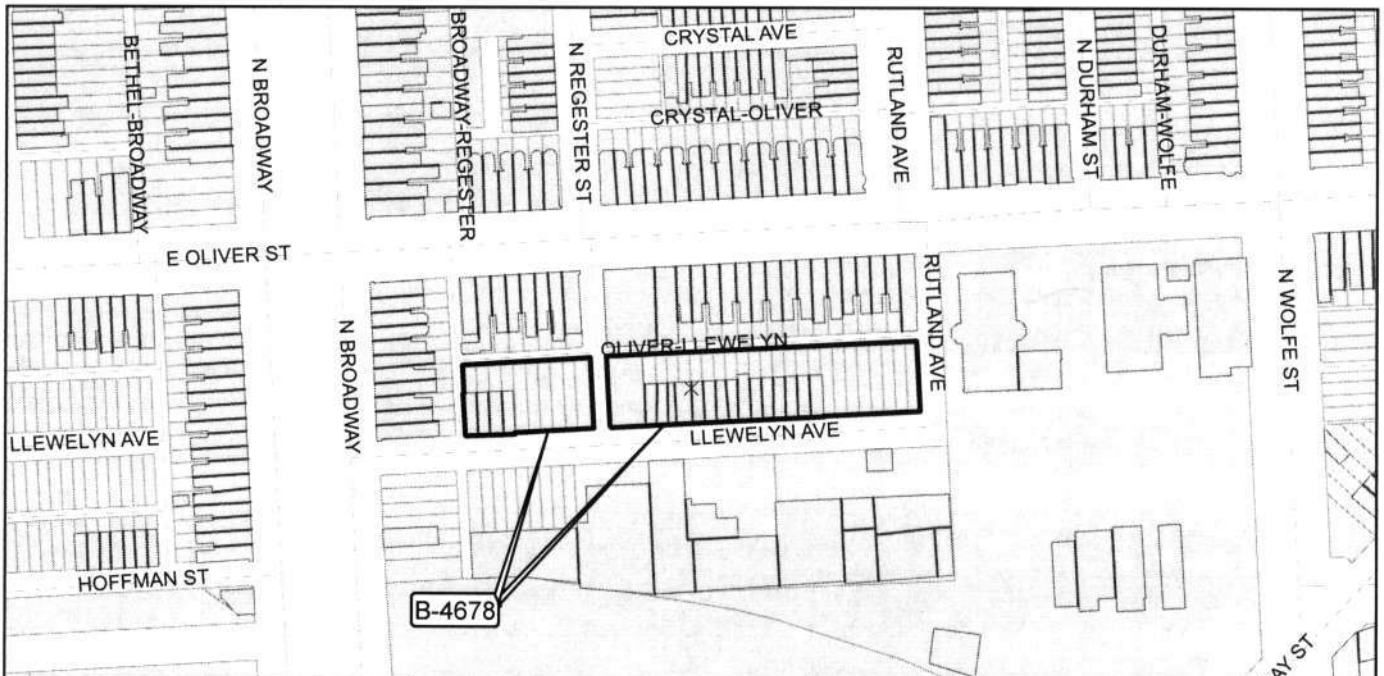
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1700-1768 Llewellyn Avenue  
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Volume 3, Sheet 297



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1700-1768 Llewellyn Avenue  
Block 1494, Lots 045-088  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.

All but 1720-1752 Demolished







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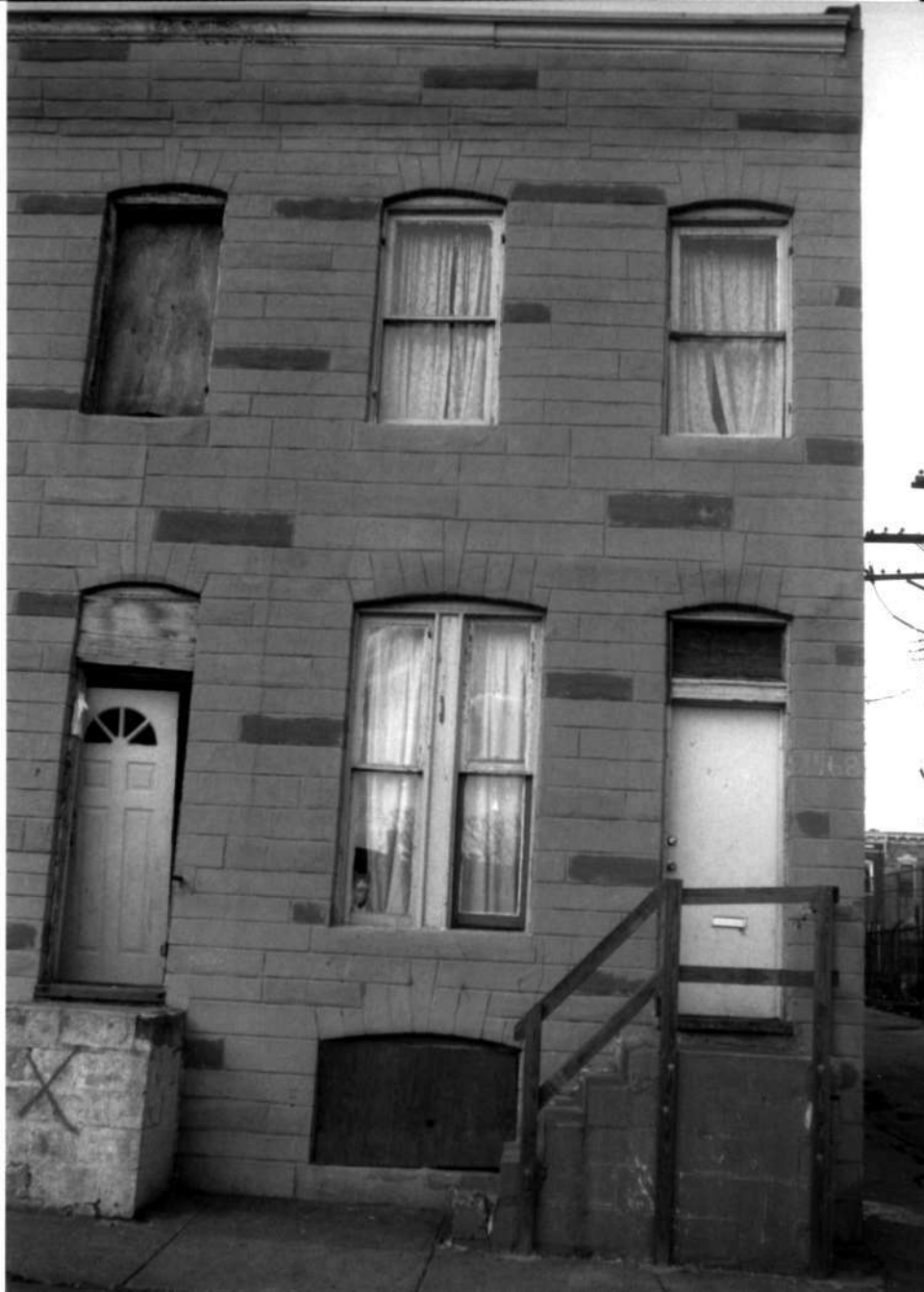
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